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TAGS: ETRD, BR

SUBJECT: POSSIBLE COUNTERVAILING DUTY INVESTIGATION ON
LEATHER HANDBAGS FROM BRAZIL

1. TREASURY HAS UNDER CONSIDERATION A COMPLAINT FROM U.S. INDUSTRY ALLEGING THAT EXPORTS TO U.S. FROM BRAZIL OF LEATHER HANDBAGS ARE RECEIVING BOUNTIES OR GRANTS WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE COUNTERVAILING DUTY LAW. THE COMPLAINT IS BEING REVIEWED BY CUSTOMS OFFICIALS IN WASHINGTON TO DETERMINE WHETHER IT IS SUFFICIENTLY WELL DOCUMENTED TO WARRANT AN INFORMAL INVESTIGATION. IF CUSTOMS RECOMMENDS THAT THE CASE BE PURSUED, GOB WOULD THEN BE INFORMED AND TREASURY WOULD CONDUCT AN INFORMAL INQUIRY TO EXAMINE THE ALLEGATIONS AND DETERMINE WHETHER THERE IS SUFFICIENT EVIDENCE TO WARRANT ISSUANCE OF A PROCEEDING NOTICE. TO DATE NO DECISION HAS BEEN MADE ON WHAT ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN.

2. ABOVE FOR EMBASSY INFORMATION ONLY. TREASURY RECEIVES MANY COMPLAINTS ALLEGING EXISTENCE OF BOUNTIES OR GRANTS
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WHICH DO NOT RESULT IN INVESTIGATIONS, FORMAL OR INFORMAL,

AND IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO PREDICT WHAT ACTION WILL BE
TAKEN IN ABOVE CASE UNTIL AT LEAST A PRELIMINARY INQUIRY
HAS BEEN COMPLETED IN WASHINGTON. IN VIEW OF THE FACT

THAT GOB MAY HAVE BEEN ADVISED OF EXISTENCE OF COMPLAINT,
EMBASSY BEING INFORMED OF STATUS AT THIS TIME. IN
RESPONDING TO INQUIRIES FROM GOB EMBASSY MAY SAY THAT
COMPLAINT HAS BEEN RECEIVED BY USG BUT THAT NO DECISION
ON INITIATION OF INVESTIGATION HAS BEEN TAKEN AND THAT
ANY ASSESSMENT OF POSSIBLE, ACTION OR OUTCOME WOULD BE
PREMATURE AT THIS TIME.

3. EMBASSY WILL BE INFORMED OF FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS AS
THEY OCCUR. KISSINGER

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